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SUBJ: CAMBODIAN AND SOUTH VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

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1. KHMER AND SOUTH VIETNAMESE COMMUNITIES IN MALAYSIA ARE SMALL. DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS ARE FROM 15 TO 20 EACH INCLUDING STAFF AND DEPENDENTS AND THERE ARE FEW NON-OFFICIAL RESIDENTS FROM EITHER COUNTRY. WITH NO LAND BORDER, FLOW OF REFUGEES SEEMS UNLIKELY. PRIME MINISTER RAZAK TOLD PRESS APRIL 12 THAT MALAYSIA WOULD BE OBLIGED ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS TO LOOK AFTER REFUGEES THAT DID ARRIVE. WE BELIEVE HOWEVER THAT GOM WILL NOT ENCOURAGE THEM TO COME.

2. WE EXPECT MOST KHMER AND VIETNAMESE WILL ATTEMPT TO REMAIN IN MALAYSIA OR PROCEED TO THIRD COUNTRIES. THEY HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY MADE SOME PLANS AND SET ASIDE RESOURCES TO MEET PRESENT SITUATION. IF THEY HEAR THAT RESETTLEMENT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE, THIS MAY HELP TO GENERATE SOME REQUESTS, BUT WE DO NOT EXPECT ANY SIGNIFICANT DEMAND FOR U.S. ASSISTANCE.
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